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SUBJECT: TANZANIA ADOPTS NEW CONSTITUTION

SUMMARY. TANZANIA HAS A NEW CONSTITUTION, EFFECTIVE APRIL 26. REASON FOR REWRITING PREVIOUS "INTERIM" CONSTITUTION IS MERGER IN FEBRUARY 1977 OF POLITICAL PARTIES OF MAINLAND AND ZANZIBAR TO FORM THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY (CCM). NEW CONSTITUTION MAKES CCM SUPREME. IT ALSO PRESERVES THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF ZANZIBAR'S AUTONOMY. END SUMMARY.

1. ON APRIL 25 TANZANIA'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED TEMPORARILY AS A CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY, APPROVED NEW CONSTITUTION. IT BECAME EFFECTIVE APRIL 26 AS CLIMAX OF CELEBRATION OF THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF TANGANYIKA - ZANZIBAR UNION.

2. NEW CONSTITUTION REPLACES INTERIM CONSTITUTION OF  
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1964 WHICH FOLLOWED TANGANYIKA - ZANZIBAR UNION. INTERIM CONSTITUTION CALLED FOR MERGER OF COUNTRY'S TWO POLITICAL PARTIES, ONE IN ZANZIBAR AND OTHER ON MAINLAND. THESE PARTIES MERGED IN FEBRUARY 1977. NEW CONSTITUTION CATCHES UP WITH MERGER AND MAKES NEW PARTY, CCM, SUPREME.

3. NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ZANZIBAR AND MAINLAND WERE OFTEN

STRAINED ON NEW CONSTITUTION. DISCUSSIONS CONTINUED INTO ELEVENTH HOUR WITH RESULT THAT TEXT NOT YET AVAILABLE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT FOLLOWING POINTS, IN ADDITION TO CCM SUPREMACY, ARE INCLUDED.

A. ZANZIBAR IS TO MAINTAIN ITS SEPARATE GOVERNMENT AND ECONOMY. DECISIONS TAKEN BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AFFECTING ZANZIBAR GOVERNMENT CAN BE TAKEN ONLY BY 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE, INCLUDING AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS OF BOTH MAINLAND AND ZANZIBAR DELEGATIONS. EXTERNAL TRADE REMAINS A "UNION" MATTER BUT THE UNWRITTEN AGREEMENT IS EXTENDED THAT ZANZIBAR'S COMMERCE AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES WILL NOT BE INTERFERED WITH.

B. TANZANIA WILL HAVE ONLY ONE VICE PRESIDENT. IF THE PRESIDENT IS FROM THE MAINLAND THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL BE FROM ZANZIBAR, AND VICE VERSA.

C. ZANZIBAR IS TO ELECT IN THE FUTURE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FROM 10 CONSTITUENCIES.  
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